Behavioral Neuroscience
How can I succeed with this major?

AREAS OF SPECIALIZATION

What can I do with this major?
• Neuroscience • Behavioral Research • Pharmacology • Biopsychology

Where do I want to work?
• College & University Laboratories • Independent Laboratories
• Pharmaceutical Companies • State & Federal Government

How to get there...
• Seek related experience through coursework, part-time jobs, internships or volunteering • Conduct research or assist in research
• Graduate school after Rider University

HEALTHCARE

What can I do with this major?
• Occupational Therapy • Physical Therapy • Physician Assistant • Nursing • Dentistry • Optometry • Podiatry • Pharmacy

Where do I want to work? (graduate degree)
• Hospitals • Private practice
• Medical centers and clinics • Armed services
• Nursing homes • Government agencies

How to get there...
• Plan on attending medical school or other related graduate program. • Secure strong faculty recommendations.
• Maintain an outstanding grade point average, particularly in the sciences. • Meet with a pre-health advisor periodically.

Advice from professors
• A student who successfully completes the Behavioral Neuroscience major is well prepared to enter professional or graduate school. • Juniors and seniors who have a GPA of at least 3.0 are encouraged to perform independent research in the laboratory of a faculty member.
• Students are expected to acquire factual knowledge, technical and analytical skills, and writing and speaking competence.
RESEARCH & DEVELOPMENT

What can I do with this major?

- Basic
- Applied
- Quality Control
- Administration
- Grant Writing

Where do I want to work?

- Private research institutions
- Public health departments
- State and federal government
- Industry and Laboratories
- Other areas where a B.S. is required

How to get there...

- Learn to set up, operate, maintain laboratory instruments and equipment, and conduct experiments.
- Seek research experience with professors.
- Gain related experience through part-time jobs, internships, or volunteering.

EDUCATION

What can I do with this major?

- Teaching
- Research

Where do I want to work?

- Two-year community colleges/technical institutes
- Four-year institutions
- Professional schools

How to get there...

- Obtain certification/licensing for teaching in public schools.
- Acquire a master’s degree for community college teaching and a Ph.D. for colleges and universities.

Tips: FYI

- A bachelor’s degree will qualify one for work as a laboratory assistant, technician, technologist, or research assistant in education, industry, government, museums, parks and gardens.

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